GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
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SUPPLY OF COAL TO HIRMA POWER PROJECT IN ORISSA
GUNIPATI RAMAIAH

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the work of HIRMA Power Project in Orissa has been slowed down on account of supply of less quantity of coal; and

(b) if so, the action taken to negotiate with the Coal India Limited for theuninterrupted supply of coal for timely completion of the project?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) & (b) : The Standing Linkage Committee (Long term) of the Ministry of Coal, inits meeting held on December 15, 2000, granted a coal linkage of 22.4 million tonnes per annum from the Kulda and Garjanbahal coalfields of Mahanadi Coal Ltd. (MCL) to the 6 x 660 MW Hirma Thermal Power Project in Orissa being promoted by M/s. MirantAsia Pacific Ltd. (earlier known as M/s. Southern Energy Asia Pacific Limited (SEAP), Hong Kong) and Reliance Power Ltd.There has been some slippage in the schedule for negotiation of the Fuel Supply Agreement for the project due to rejection of forestclearance for the Kulda mines. The promoters of the project are in negotiation with MCL for expeditious implementation of the mining projects.